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strives to bring an
enhanced quality of life
through services and
partnerships that promote a
quality environment and
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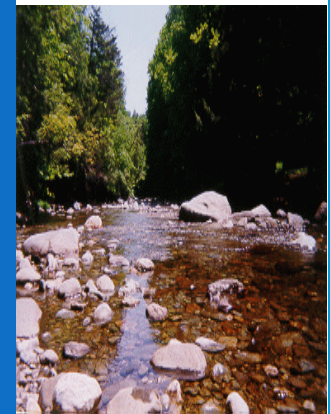
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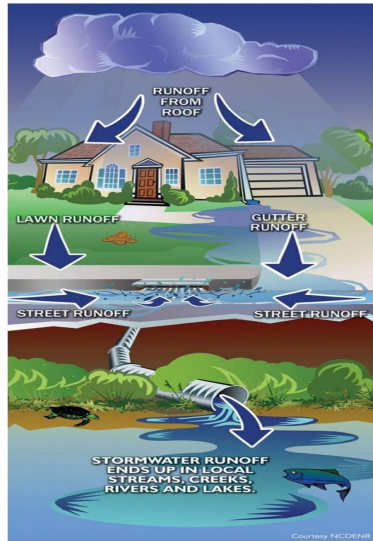
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STORMWATER
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WHAT IS STORMWATER?



Stormwater is water from rain or melting snow that doesn't soak into the ground but runs off into waterways. It flows from rooftops, over paved areas and bare soil, and through sloped lawns while picking up a variety of materials on its way.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Stormwater runoff is a major problem when it picks up garbage, debris, sediment or dirt, chemicals, automotive fluids, fertilizers, and other pollutants from local streets, parking lots, yards, house roofs, construction sites, etc.

BENEFITS OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- To control trash pollutants in stormwater discharges to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4).
- To reduce the discharge of pollutants from construction sites.



To conduct spill investigations for citizens reporting spills on the ground.

To promote, publicize and facilitate public reporting of the presence of illicit discharges/improper disposal of materials into the MS4.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Participate in cleanup activities in your neighborhood.
- Get involved in local planning and zoning decisions.
- Promote environmental education to educate your community about ways in which they can help protect water quality.
- Call 311 to report a problem
- Email or call Stormwater Management to inform them of any concerns.

Improve the quality of Birmingham's natural water resources.